



Levels of Licensure

There are four levels of real estate appraiser licensing. They are:

- ✓ Trainee License
- ✓ Residential License
- ✓ Certified Residential License
- ✓ Certified General License

The information contained in this pamphlet is designed to provide a summary of the minimum education, experience and examination requirements established by the Appraiser Qualifications Board and the State of California.

As with any program, changes may occur. Consult with current statutes, regulations and rules which prevail over the information in this leaflet.



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Real Estate Appraiser Licensing Summary

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REQUIREMENTS OF EACH LICENSE LEVEL

	Trainee License	Residential License	Certified Residential License	Certified General License
Education	A minimum of 90 hours of appraisal related education covering the specific topics required by the Appraiser Qualifications Board (AQB), with at least 15 hours on the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP).	A minimum of 90 hours of appraisal related education covering the specific topics required by AQB, with at least 15 hours on USPAP.	A minimum of 120 hours of appraisal related education covering the specific topics required by AQB, with at least 15 hours on USPAP.	A minimum of 180 hours of appraisal related education covering the specific topics required by AQB, with at least 15 hours on USPAP.
Experience	None.	A minimum of 2,000 hours of acceptable appraisal experience.	A minimum of 2,500 hours and two and one-half years of acceptable appraisal experience.	A minimum of 3,000 hours and two and one-half years of acceptable appraisal experience. At least 1,500 hours of the experience must be non-residential properties.
Exam	Must pass the AQB approved residential examination.	Must pass the AQB approved residential examination.	Must pass the AQB approved certified residential examination.	Must pass the AQB approved certified general examination.
Scope	Must work under the technical supervision of a licensed appraiser. May assist on any appraisal within the scope of practice of the supervising appraiser.	May appraise 1-to-4 unit residential property up to a transaction value of \$1 million and non-residential property up to \$250,000 .	May appraise all 1-to-4 unit residential property without regard to transaction value and non-residential property up to a transaction value of \$250,000 .	May appraise all types of real estate.
Renewal	A license may be renewed by paying the appropriate fees and by providing proof of having met the continuing education requirements. Fourteen hours of approved continuing education is required for each calendar year in which the license is valid for six months or more. The renewed license is valid for a maximum of two years.			